PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS

On Requested Modifications to the Hazardous Waste Facility Permit for the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant

THE OF THE STREET

WHO: U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Carlsbad Field Office and Nuclear Waste

Partnership LLC (NWP)

WHERE:

WHAT: DOE and NWP will conduct public meetings to provide information on the following permit

modification request to the WIPP Hazardous Waste Facility Permit.

WHEN: Tuesday, January 15, 2013 Thursday, January 17, 2013

5-6 p.m. 3-5 p.m.

Skeen-Whitlock Building Courtyard by Marriott 4021 National Parks Highway 3347 Cerrillos Road

Carlsbad, New Mexico Santa Fe, New Mexico

WHY: On December 12, 2012, DOE submitted a Class 2 permit modification request package

to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED). The permit modification request

proposes the following:

Revise the Waste Analysis Plan waste characterization methods so that waste

characterization is accomplished using acceptable knowledge and radiography or visual examination. Generator/storage sites will no longer be required by the Permittee to

perform waste characterization through the use of chemical sampling and analysis as prescribed in Permit Part 2, Permit Attachment C, Waste Analysis Plan and Permit

Attachments C1 through C7. Chemical sampling and analysis refers to 1) headspace gas sampling and analysis and 2) homogenous solids and soil/gravel sampling and analysis.

HOW: To obtain additional information about this permit modification request, contact
Mr. Bobby St. John, NWP, at 1-800-336-9477. The permit modification is also available on the

WIPP web site at http://www.wipp.energy.gov and at the WIPP Information Center,
Skeen-Whitlock Building, 4021 National Parks Highway, Carlsbad, N.M. A copy of the

requested permit modifications may also be obtained from NMED at the address listed below.

COMMENTS: Written comments for the record must be sent to the NMED contact person at the address below and received no later than 5 p.m. on February 18, 2013:

Ms. Trais Kliphuis

New Mexico Environment Department

2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1 Santa Fe. N.M. 87505

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The Permittees' compliance history during the life of the Permit being modified is available from Ms. Kliphuis at the New Mexico Environment Department.

QUESTIONS: Any questions or comments to the Permitees regarding this permit modification request may

be sent to Mr. Bobby St. John, P.O. Box 2078, Carlsbad, N.M. 88221, no later than February 1, 2013.

WIPP Permit Community Relations Plan

On-line: http://www.wipp.energy.gov / toll-free: 1-866-271-9640 / e-mail: communityrelations@wipp.ws